



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No. 00-1215)

PATENT

In re Application of: Calzone et al.)
Serial No.: 09/724,859)
Filed: November 28, 2000)
For: Interleukin-1 Receptor)
Antagonist-Like Molecules)
and Uses Thereof)

Before the Examiner: P. Mertz
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Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED JULY 16, 2002

Responsive to the Office Action mailed July 16, 2002, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

AMENDMENTS

The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the following amendments.

In the Specification:

Please amend the title at page 2, lines 1-2 to read as follows:

**NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING INTERLEUKIN-1 RECEPTOR ANTAGONIST-LIKE
PROTEINS AND USES THEREOF**

Please amend the paragraphs at page 3, line 16 to page 4, line 16 to read as follows:

The invention provides for an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence